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Tribune open house to discuss asbestos issues

By Tribune Staff

The Great Falls Tribune is inviting the public to learn more about asbestos issues in Montana by visiting with the experts.

A panel of experts from Great Falls and Helena will be available tonight to discuss topics ranging from precautions to take with Zonolite insulation and asbestos-containing materials to the health concerns of former Robinson Insulation plant workers.

■ The open house is tonight in the first floor conference room of the Great Falls Tribune, 205 River Drive S. from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Personnel from the Department of Environmental Quality can answer questions about asbestos regulations for demolition and renovation projects in Montana.

Experts also will make pamphlets and additional information available to the public.

The panel includes:

■ Representatives of the DEQ, including John Podolinsky, air quality specialist with the state's Asbestos Control Program.

■ Dr. Michael Spence, state medical officer with the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services.

■ Representatives of Maxim Technologies and Glacier Engineering, which are both certified to inspect properties for asbestos-containing materials.

■ Jay Parrott, property

maintenance and housing inspector for the city of Great Falls. Parrott also is an accredited asbestos inspector, management planner and project designer.

■ Curt Bedwell, owner of Quality Urethane, a Great Falls company certified to remove asbestos-containing materials.

■ Greg Wennerberg, site manager at High Plains Landfill and Recycling.

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